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Police in Daly City, San Mateo to Receive Substantial Federal Grants to Offset Homeland Security Costs

Washington, DC – The police departments of San Mateo and Daly City will soon receive substantial federal relief to cover the costs of increased homeland security patrols and training, Congressman Tom Lantos (D-California) announced today.

“We must do all we can to support local police officers as they learn the new skills associated with homeland security training, and to apply them in the field,” Lantos said. “That is why I’m pleased that our efforts to secure federal funding for the additional training and patrols have paid off.”

The funds come from the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program, and will pay for local law enforcement expenses resulting from increased overtime budgets. The grants will supplement locally funded officer overtime budgets for one year, and will cover up to 75 percent of the total projected overtime costs for homeland security training, increased homeland security patrols, and other activities related to the prevention of violent or drug related crimes, provided that there is a 25 percent local cash match.

Daly City’s police department will receive \$226,552 under this program, while San Mateo’s police will receive \$99,616. A \$2,977,786 grant to the California Highway Patrol will help cover homeland security operations throughout the state, including within the 12th District.

The Justice Department established the new Homeland Security Overtime Program in response to the ongoing threat of terrorism and the critical role that state and local law enforcement agencies play in preventing and responding to terrorism.

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